



97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB3220

Introduced 2/24/2011, by Rep. Robert W. Pritchard - Sandra M. Pihos

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Accountability in Higher Education Act. Requires public universities in this State to develop annual academic, financial, and enrollment plans that outline (i) tuition and fee estimates, (ii) enrollment projections, (iii) retention policies and projections, and (iv) accepting a number of accountability measures, including meeting benchmarks related to accessibility and affordability. Requires public universities to commit themselves formally to meeting specified State policy objectives, in conjunction with the goals set forth in the Illinois Public Agenda for College and Career Success. Requires the Board of Higher Education to be responsible for developing performance indicators to measure whether public universities in this State are meeting State policy objectives, in conjunction with the goals set forth in the Illinois Public Agenda for College and Career Success. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 Accountability in Higher Education Act.

6 Section 5. Annual plans.

7 (a) Public universities in this State shall develop annual
8 academic, financial, and enrollment plans that outline all of
9 the following:

10 (1) Tuition and fee estimates.

11 (2) Enrollment projections.

12 (3) Retention policies and projections.

13 (4) Accepting a number of accountability measures,
14 including meeting benchmarks related to accessibility and
15 affordability.

16 (b) These plans must be submitted to the Board of Higher
17 Education no later than June 30th of each year and must be
18 reviewed by the Board for recommendations to be made each year
19 at one of the Board's regularly scheduled meetings.

20 Section 10. State policy objectives. Public universities
21 in this State must commit themselves formally to meeting the
22 following State policy objectives, in conjunction with the

1 goals set forth in the Illinois Public Agenda for College and
2 Career Success:

3 (1) Providing access to higher education, including
4 meeting enrollment demand.

5 (2) Providing a broad range of academic programs.

6 (3) Maintaining high academic standards.

7 (4) Improving student retention and progress toward
8 timely graduation.

9 (5) Developing uniform articulation agreements with
10 public community colleges.

11 (6) Stimulating economic development.

12 (7) If appropriate, increasing externally funded
13 research and improving technology transfer.

14 (8) Actively working with grades kindergarten through
15 12 to improve student achievement.

16 (9) Meeting financial and administrative management
17 standards.

18 (10) Making enrollment affordable, regardless of
19 income.

20 Section 15. Performance indicators. The Board of Higher
21 Education shall be responsible for developing performance
22 indicators to measure whether public universities in this State
23 are meeting State policy objectives under Section 10 of this
24 Act, in conjunction with the goals set forth in the Illinois
25 Public Agenda for College and Career Success.

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
2 becoming law.